

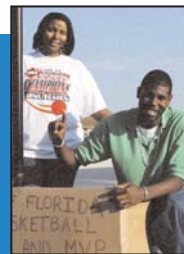
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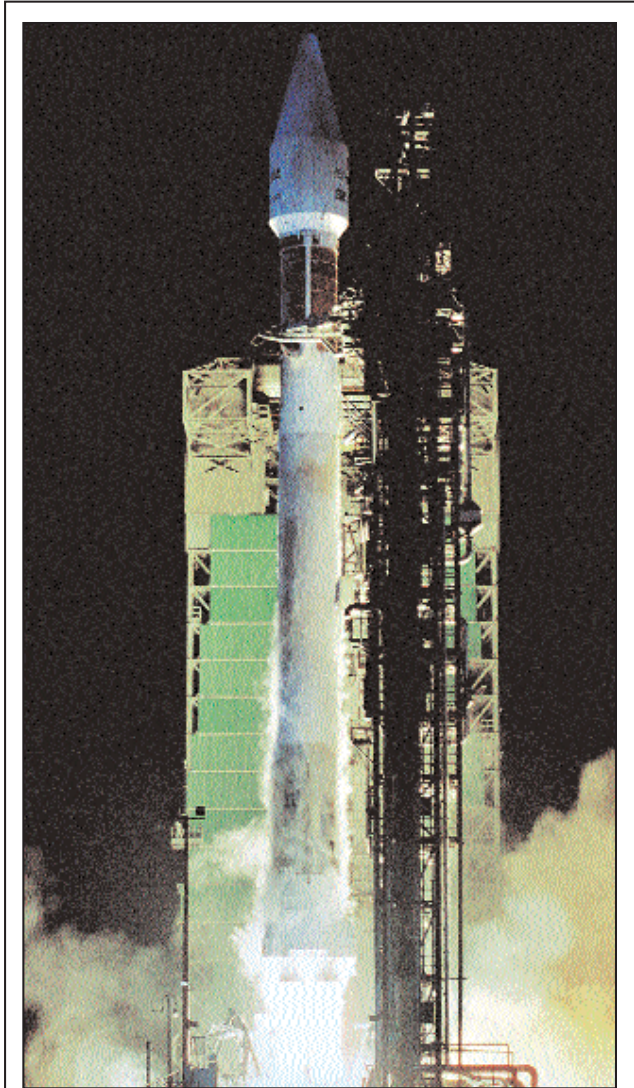


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## Nighttime lights

An Atlas III rocket blasts off March 13 with a communications satellite that will provide services to customers in Japan and Korea. This was the 70th consecutive successful launch of an Atlas rocket.

## Security Forces sergeant awarded Bronze Star for OIF

By 1st Lt. Warren Comer  
45th SW Public Affairs

A senior master sergeant with the 45th Security Forces Squadron was awarded a Bronze Star Monday for meritorious achievement supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom during ground operations while deployed to a base in Southwest Asia.

Deployed to the 363rd Air Expeditionary Wing in January, 2003, Senior Master Sgt. Michael Sydney was responsible for supervising the day-to-day operations of Security Forces personnel as they provided force protection to more than 10,000 coalition forces personnel that directly contributed to the successful completion of 3,300 combat sorties.

"During OIF we had certain security requirements we had to initiate," said Sgt. Sydney. "We had a lot of cops (Security Forces personnel) there to help provide security for personnel on the installation."

Sgt. Sydney was also in charge of overseeing the operation of one of the largest vehicle search bays in Southwest Asia. Prior to the war, he was responsible for expediting the search and processing of 19,500 vehicles and 50 tons of support equipment.

Sgt. Sydney also helped maintain base security by providing threat detection missions while flying as a crew member onboard a UH-60A Blackhawk helicopter.

With the threat assessment, Sgt. Sydney was able to brief coalition forces on local threats and allow them to plan their security postures accordingly.

"It feels pretty good (to receive this award)," said Sgt. Sydney. "My dad went through the Vietnam War and it's something I think will make him proud I accomplished the same things he did, but obviously on a much lower scale."



Senior Master Sgt. Michael Sydney



By **Brig. Gen. Greg Pavlovich**  
45th SW commander

Tailhook. Aberdeen Proving Grounds. Lackland Training Center.

It seems like a long time ago when a series of highly publicized harassment and assault headlines had the military reeling. Recent investigations at the Air Force Academy and Sheppard Air Force Base remind us that although we've come a long way in creating an inclusive and safe culture, we cannot become complacent.

Let me remind everyone that we have a zero tolerance policy against sexual harassment. Additionally, sexual assault is a crime and will be investigated thoroughly and, if substantiated, punished appropriately. This firm line is a necessity to protect our number one resource - our people.

As such, it is the Air Force Equal Opportunity and Treatment policy that the Air Force will conduct its affairs free from unlawful discrimination and sexual harassment. It all comes down to respect and dignity. Each and every member of the Air Force team is equally valued and equally protected. We owe it to our people, whom we entrust and empower with our important mission, to provide them with a productive work environment.

But it goes beyond that, too. Equal Opportunity isn't something that stops at the door of the workplace; personnel are expected to conduct themselves professionally on and off duty, on and off base. Commanders, supervisors and first sergeants need to be engaged. It comes down to knowing our people 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Be aware of potential problems, and be available when your personnel come to you with a concern. It is a leadership responsibility to create open lines of communication within an organization so matters can be addressed timely and fairly.

What should you do if you experience discriminatory or sexual harassing behavior? Seek help. Even if you feel unsure about whether the exchanges you are involved in constitute sexual harassment, still seek help. If you feel comfortable addressing an individual who has made inappropriate remarks or behaved inappropriately, please do so. If not, use your chain of

command, first sergeant, co-worker or friend to address the situation. The bottom line is to talk to someone. We don't want anyone who is experiencing this to keep it to themselves.

Our counseling professionals are a great resource. The Military Equal Opportunity Office (for military) and the Equal Employment Opportunity program (for civilians) are here to help. They can help mediate situations and they make recommendations to commanders to resolve situations, formally and informally. Please note that contractors usually have their own channels for resolution, but the Equal Employment Opportunity Office can still be a great starting point.

Individuals who witness inappropriate behavior have the same resources available to them. I encourage folks who see behavior that needs to be corrected to get involved. We all have a role in keeping this type of behavior from hampering our organization. Your leadership will back you up, and if they don't, I want to know about it.

What is at stake is the Air Force's reputation, but more importantly the well being of our most treasured resource - all the men and women here and abroad. So we all need to do our part. It all comes down to our core values of "Integrity First," "Service Before Self," and "Excellence in All We Do." These are the price of admission for being a part of the greatest air force in the world - I hope you take them seriously and enforce the standards they represent.

Our goal is to have an environment free from these abusive behaviors, and we will continue with the education of our leadership and newcomers to promote that ideal.

We've recently re-energized our Wing Climate Assessment Committee and they will track our progress on these issues as well as other workplace concerns. As this multi-functional panel gets underway, you'll have opportunities to provide feedback, and I encourage you to do so.

Of course when prevention fails, it is our responsibility to have the programs in place to respond. These programs will come under review at the end of the month when the Air Force Space Command team wraps up its Air Force-directed command review. If you have any concerns about support you received, you'll have a chance to meet with the headquarters review team March 29, 8-10 a.m., and 1-3 p.m. at our Base Education Office, Bldg. 998, Rooms A3 and A4. More detailed information about the entire visit will be published in the next week's *Missileer*.

It is fitting that we address this issue now, as we celebrate Women's History Month, a month

and time when we celebrate the contributions of women. It reminds us, like all the other observance months do, that we need to embrace diversity and acknowledge the work we still need to do to make the climate comfortable for all.

We've come too far to let the misdirected behaviors of a few who don't "get it" set us back. I welcome and encourage your feedback so we maintain our reputation as a great place to work and play and - more importantly - so we provide a safe environment that enables and encourages our people to rise to their highest level of responsibility in the Air Force. God bless.

### Air Force Space Command nominee Institute of Navigation Early Achievement Award:

**1st Lt Ryan Holtz**  
1st Space Launch Squadron

### AFSPC Enlisted IMA of the Year:

**Tech. Sgt. Dennis McCarthy**  
45th Security Forces Squadron

### Recent First Term Airman's Center graduates:

**Airman Basic Amber Aucoin**  
45th Civil Engineer Squadron

**Airman 1st Class Orville Gayle**  
Air Force Technical Applications Center

**Airman 1st Class Josue Diaz**  
45th Space Communications Squadron

**Airman Brent Holder**  
45th Mission Support Squadron

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# Retiree Day set

By 1st Lt. Warren Comer  
45th SW Public Affairs

On March 27, all retired military members and their families are invited to attend the 45th Space Wing's Military Retiree Day. It's honors retirees and provides a forum for them to get information about various programs and services.

To kick-off the event, a retreat formation is March 26 at Memorial Plaza next to the wing headquarters, Bldg. 423, at 5 p.m. to honor all military retirees and their families.

"Military Retiree Day provides a number of different information sources on various benefits and services that are available to them," said 2nd Lt. Jeremy Jackson, Military Retiree Day project officer. "Retired Lt. Gen. Donald Peterson will be the keynote speaker. He is currently the U.S. Air Force Retiree Council's co-chairman."

Gen. Peterson will speak on current retiree benefits and rights effected by recent legislative initiatives.

Beginning in Hangar 750 on Rescue Road, military retirees will be able to meet with representatives of base facilities and service organizations that have programs available to them.

The Base Exchange and Commissary will also be on hand with special offers.

Briefings on medical, social security and long-term care issues will be discussed at the Base Theater beginning at 9:15 a.m.

Other base organizations will be open after the theater briefs beginning at 10:15 a.m.

They include the 45th Military Personnel Flight in Bldg. 537 that will issue new identification cards (must have a card that is expiring in the next 90 days) and help update personal information, the Family Support Center, Bldg. 722, where wing medical personnel and representatives from Weusthoff Hospital will have a health fair.

The Riverside Dining Facility will also be open from 7 a.m. - 2 p.m.

# Senior master sergeant promotion list released

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas - Air Force officials recently selected 1,566 master sergeants for promotion to senior master sergeant.

The promotion list was released Wednesday. The complete list of selectees will be posted to the Air Force Personnel Center's Web site at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/eprom/> March 20.

The central evaluation board 04E8, which convened Jan. 26 to Feb. 12, considered 16,516 master sergeants for a 9.48 percent select rate, 3.48 percent above the minimum promotion-rate objective of 6 percent. For the 45th Space Wing, there was a selection rate of 5.38 percent and 8.2 percent for the wing's mission partners.

The average score for those selected was 671.72, with an average time in grade and time in service of 4.70 and 20.15 years, respectively. The average score was based on the following point averages:

- 134.98 for enlisted performance reports
- 34.02 for time in grade
- 21.17 for time in service
- 20.47 for decorations
- 69.13 for Air Force supervisory examination
- 391.95 for board score

Those selected will be promoted to senior master sergeant beginning in April. (Courtesy of AFPC News Service)

The selectees are:

**Master Sgt. Carlos Davis**  
Air Force Operational Test and Evaluations Center

**Master Sgt. Patrick Vilmeny**  
45th Space Wing

**Master Sgt. James Moffitt**  
45th Weather Squadron

**Master Sgt. Angela Robinson**  
45th Medical Operations Squadron

**Master Sgt. Richard Bend**  
45th Medical Support Squadron

**Master Sgt. Theodore McHudson**  
45th Civil Engineer Squadron

**Master Sgt. Brooklyn Carter, III**  
Air Force Technical Applications Center

**Master Sgt. Charles Curtis**  
Air Force Technical Applications Center

**Master Sgt. Thomas Hamilton**  
Air Force Technical Applications Center

**Master Sgt. Mari Penny Sincore**  
Inbound to the 45th Space Wing



## Commander Q&A :

**Chaplain (Lt. Col.)  
Redmond Raux  
45th SW Chaplain**

**Q: What's the mission of the Chaplain's office?**

A: The mission of chaplains is to be a visible reminder of the holy. As such, chaplains assure the free exercise of religion, both at home and in deployed situations. They also provide guidance and advice. As we go about our normal workday, it can become very easy to take many things for granted. Chaplains are accessible to listen, counsel and offer advice on a wide range of topics.

**Q: What function do the chaplain assistants serve both at home and deployed?**

A: Chaplain assistants serve as an essential part of the chaplain service team utilizing a unique combination of administrative skills, critical incident stress management training, facility management, protocol and set-up for religious services. They also protect chapel resources and the chaplains themselves, as chaplains are non-combatants. They're as well as

being valuable assets in helping the chaplain to listen and respond to the needs of individuals.

**Q: Is there a program available from your office that most people on base wouldn't normally know about?**

A: Chaplains are able to talk with people with privileged communication, which means that the content of what is shared is confidential. This allows individuals to be able to freely express themselves to a chaplain.

**Q: How does the Chaplain's office help military members and their families on a day-to-day basis?**

A: We provide counseling, advice, and guidance on practical and spiritual matters, and visitation throughout the workplace. We are present in people's lives, from the most joy filled moments, to the most troubling - walking with people as their companions.

# 50th GPS satellite launches Saturday

Team Delta makes history with warfighter support

By Maj. Kris Siford  
1st Space Launch Squadron

Fifteen years ago, no one was aware that a rocket carrying the first global positioning system satellite would start a revolution in the way the United States fights wars as well as the way the world now navigates the globe.

The 45th Space Wing and its mission partners will launch a Delta II rocket carrying the GPS IIR-11 satellite Saturday.

It's the 50th GPS satellite launched since the first NAVSTAR GPS flew on February 14, 1989. Since then, GPS satellites has provided the United States and it's allies pinpoint positioning capabilities with precision engagement and ensured seamless integration to the warfighter.

The revolutionary satellite allowed rapid advance over the desert sands of Iraq in 1991 and 2003, provided key support during operations over Kosovo and allowed precision strikes

over Afghanistan.

This launch is the culmination of months of work by everyone involved in the mission. Those working for the launch are excited in their role in supporting worldwide operations in the war on terror.

"Every mission has its own unique challenges, but we always work through them," Staff Sgt. Brad Barber, 1st Space Launch Squadron maintenance controller. "We have great teamwork in the 1st SLS and all are dedicated to making each launch a successful one."

With this flight, Team Delta is also sharing in this year's commemoration of the 50th anniversary of Air Force involvement in space and missiles, since Brig. Gen. Bernard Schriever led many programs that forged what is now known as Air Force Space Command.

With satellites providing valuable intelligence, weather and communications data with navigation provided by GPS, space has created a combat capability that spans all of the armed forces and is an invaluable resource in ensuring control of the battlefield.

This 50th GPS satellite guarantees that this vital national capability is sustained for our



deployed forces around the world and will continue to support the warfighter as it has since first employed during Operation Desert Storm.

Saturday's launch will also be among the first operation to benefit from the transformation of the 45th Space Wing last December.

"I'm really honored to be a part of the launch team for this historic launch," said 2nd Lt. John Cary. "Since transformation, it's been great to have our engineers, maintainers and operators all in one organization and I am proud to serve on Team Delta."

Just as the GPS IIR-11 mission patch says, "Ardere Tunc, Ardere Nunc," meaning "Launching Then, Launching Now," the entire Delta team is poised to make this launch historic, delivering the 50th GPS to the warfighter.

# Civilian pay raise takes affect in May

AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER - Air Force civilian employees will soon see extra money in their paychecks after an executive order was signed by the president March 3 authorizing a pay adjustment retroactive to Jan. 11.

Officials here began loading new pay tables into the system March 11. But as in 2003, not all employees will receive the retroactive pay at the same time.

Most general schedule employees will see the increase plus a retroactive lump-sum in their paychecks by May, said personnel officials. It may take longer for employees who have personnel actions - like a promotion or step-grade increase - since Jan. 11 to see the money.

Medical Special Rate employees records will be updated beginning Friday.

Federal Wage System and Non-Appropriated Fund schedules are not yet published. Those updates will be processed as soon as pay schedules are available, said personnel officials.

The increase averages .9 percent in locality pay, plus a 1.2 percent increase in base pay. To view locality pay increases by location for general schedule employees, please visit <http://www.opm.gov/oca/comp-memo/2004/ATT2-04.asp>.

Officials said they will announce more information as it becomes available.

## It's time to contribute

Air Force Assistance Fund representatives are still on hand to provide contribution forms to everyone in their unit. Civilians may also contribute, though they are not eligible to receive benefits.



Donations can be made in increments throughout the year, or as a one-time gift.

For more information, contact your unit's AFAF representative.

## Murray talks rotations, uniforms, quality of life

**By Tech. Sgt. Mark Munsey**  
*15th Airlift Wing Public Affairs*

HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE, Hawaii (AFP) - Retro was all the rage March 10 as Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Gerald Murray met with enlisted Airmen here.

Chief Murray, the Pacific Air Forces command chief before assuming his current job, addressed a standing-room-only crowd about several issues concerning the base, Pacific Air Forces and enlisted Airmen.

Before getting started on the issues of the day, Chief Murray spoke briefly about his Hickam background and the ongoing mission the base accomplishes.

"As I return and look around this audience today, I see all the different (major commands) and tenant units serving here in Hawaii, and I want to say thank you for what you're doing with such diverse missions," the chief said.

Chief Murray then described the current air and space expeditionary force landscape.

"As we return to the rotational AEF, we are involved in the largest rotation of military forces in history," he said. "We are currently rotating 150,000 military members out of the Middle East while rotating 100,000 in."

Though the Air Force has the smallest portion of those deployed to the area of responsibility, its role is about to increase, Chief Murray said.

"We will be picking up 2,000 billets previously filled by (Soldiers)," he said. Most will go to the security forces, transporta-

tion, civil engineer and air traffic controller career fields.

When the chief asked the audience, by show of hands, how many had been on an expeditionary deployment, more than two-thirds of those in attendance raised their hands.

"We have worked hard to get back to the rotational schedule so you can have predictability and stability about deployments, both for units and families," Chief Murray said. "But we also must maintain supreme air power of lethality and might."

Chief Murray also shared several quality-of-life improvement aspects.

"In 1998, the average time in service for promotion to staff sergeant was six years; that is now down to four," he said. "Today, the average time to make technical sergeant is 13 years. We are projecting that in the next three to four years that average will be down to 10 years.

"Do I think our troops will be ready for the added responsibilities at that point in their careers?" the chief asked. "Absolutely."

The subject of the proposed new utility uniform and that they will be cut and fit for females drew the largest applause of the day.

"I spoke with one of the Airman wearing the uniform, and she said she had washed and worn it six times so far, and it was still as crisp as new," he said. "Everyone from Airmen to the four-stars have said the same thing — it's sharp looking." (*Courtesy of PACAF News Service*)



Photo by Airman 1st Class Shaun Emery

### Training for the win

Preparing to take up arms, the Patrick Air Force Base Honor Guard's firing team trains for the Air Force Space Command competition starting Tuesday at Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.

# Security Forces to get more boots on ground

**By Master Sgt. Randy L. Mitchell**  
*Air Force Personnel Center Public Affairs*

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas – Security Forces Airmen will see 495 new civilians added to their ranks between July and October.

Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James Roche directed the positions be added at the squadron level to free more Airmen for duties at home station and on deployments.

Officials expect many of the new positions will be filled by separating or retiring security forces Airmen, but said they will be accepting other qualified applicants as well.

“Security Forces commanders would prefer to keep experienced Airmen working with the Air Force instead of losing them to private industry,” said Michael Allen, chief of the security civilian career program at the Air Force Personnel Center here.

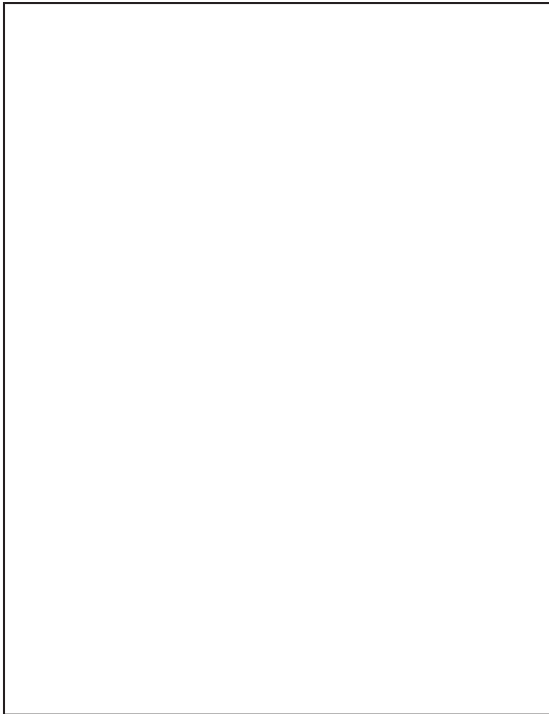
A Security Forces staffing team here will begin filling the positions April 5 and con-

tinue until all positions are filled, Mr. Allen said.

People interested in applying for any Air Force position can visit the civilian employment Web page at <https://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/afjobs/>, and use the Air Force Job Kit to prepare and submit a resume. They will then need to monitor the employment page or the USAJOBS Office of Personnel Management Web site at [www.usajobs.opm.gov/](http://www.usajobs.opm.gov/), where they will be able to apply online for the positions.

Vacancies exist in related career fields like security-forces administration; information, personnel and industrial security; security-forces investigations; training; resource adviser; resource protection; standardization and evaluation; plans; and wing and squadron anti-terrorism force protection.

Information is also available at the Air Force Contact Center at (800) 616-3775 or at [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil) by clicking on the Contact Center button. *(Courtesy of AFPC News Service)*



# AAFES actively pursuing 'The Passion of the Christ'

## Film's demand outpacing amount of prints available for military movie-goers

DALLAS – As *The Passion of the Christ* continues to draw strong numbers at the box office of civilian CONUS theaters, America's military audience continues to wait for an opportunity to see the film. According to the Army & Air

Force Exchange Service the overwhelming commercial success of the film is proving to be tough news for military audiences. According to AAFES' Vice President of Food and Theater Richard Sheff, the demand is outpacing copies of the film.

Since *The Passion of the Christ* opened, AAFES has been actively pursuing acquisition of the movie. Unfortunately, due to the film's commercial success, AAFES has been unable to acquire prints for military audiences.

"The civilian market has a lock on the film today," said Mr. Sheff. "It is our hope that

Newmarket Films will either produce additional prints or allow AAFES to obtain existing prints as soon as possible."

Either way, AAFES officials are sure that *The Passion of the Christ* will eventually make it to the military audience.

"Because of the film's success it is difficult for AAFES to say when *The Passion* will be available," he said. "However, I would like to assure servicemembers that as soon as the distributor releases prints to AAFES, "Reel Time Theater" marquees will read 'Now Showing,' *The Passion of the Christ*."

## Cutting up

Al Fisch, left, cuts a piece of matting for his framing project, while Charlie Smith, framing instructor, supervises his work. During framing classes, students are taught how to create and build their own projects. The six-hour class certifies students to use the framing shop for personal use. Upcoming framing classes are scheduled for April 5 and April 13-14.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Shaun Emery



**Main Gate lane changes**

The third phase of construction at the Main Gate will begin Monday. All inbound traffic at the gate will enter Patrick Air Force Base using both lanes and stop at the new guard shack for identification check. For outbound traffic, O'Malley Road will be used as the exit. Expected completion date of this project is March 27. For more information, contact 2nd Lt. Glenn Cameron at 494-9243.

**Scholarships available**

The Patrick Spouses' Club is accepting applications through Monday for their annual scholarship program. Scholarships are open to high school-age children of active-duty military members stationed at Patrick Air Force Base, Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Antigua Air Station, Ascension Auxiliary Air Field and children of military retirees who live in Brevard County. Pick up an application at any Brevard County high school, the Patrick Library or call the Patrick Spouses' Club at 536-3101 for more information.

**AUSA has meeting**

The Association of the United States Army, Sunshine Chapter, holds its general membership meeting and luncheon at the Officers' Club on Monday from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Retired Army Maj. Gen. Craig Wheldon will give a presentation named Information Sharing and Homeland Security. Contact Kip Mathias at 591-9826 or e-mail him at [sgmkip@aol.com](mailto:sgmkip@aol.com) for more information. Tickets are \$20 and anyone may attend.

**Learn something new**

The Family Support Center presents these classes: Wednesday, Bringing Home Baby class is from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Information Fair at the Main Exchange from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and a Common Sense Approach to Funeral Arrangements class is 5-6 p.m. A Troops to

Teachers seminar is from 9 a.m. - noon Thursday and a Saving and Investing course is March 26 from noon - 1:30 p.m. Classes/meetings are at the Family Support Center, Bldg. 722, unless otherwise noted. Call 494-5676 to sign up.

**Summer jobs offered**

Applications are being accepted through April 2 for summer civilian positions with the 45th Space Wing. The positions are a clerk, lifeguard paying \$9.34 an hour; another lifeguard position paying \$10.19 an hour and a laborer paying \$9.34 an hour.

Employment begins May 3 and ends by Sept. 30. Applicants may submit a resume or fill out an Optional Form 612 and turn them in to the 45th Civilian Personnel Flight, Bldg. 536, Room 233.

For more information, visit the 45th CPF Web site at <https://www.pat-rick.af.mil/45sptg/45-MSS/CPF/index.html>.

**Get tools for job hunting**

The Family Support Center presents "Preparing for the Interview," March 30, 8 a.m. - noon. The class is presented by John Rybcyk, a military pre-retirement expert. He will review the resumes of the first 15 people who sign up. Call 494-5675 to register.

**Address deployed letters correctly**

The Air Force Official Mail Manager reminds those mailing military mail overseas to include the APO number, not the geographic location. Incorrectly addressed mail causes delays and losses.

**Join Civil Air Patrol**

Become a member of the Civil Air Patrol or join the cadet program. People must be at least 18 years old to join CAP; cadets must be between 12 and 21 years old. Call Dennis Lecik at 253-6097

or 494-2402 for more information.

**MOAA offers scholarships**

The Military Officers' Association of American, Cape Canaveral Chapter will award eight to 10 college scholarship grants ranging from \$2,000-\$3,000 for the 2004-2005 school year.

To qualify for the scholarship, a student must be accepted as a full-time junior or senior by an accredited college or university. The student must also be a legal resident of Brevard County and be a family member of an active-duty, Reserve, retired or deceased member of the military.

Requests for an application form should be sent with a self-addressed return business size envelope with postage to the Military Officers' Association of America, Scholarship Selection Committee, P.O. Box 254708, Patrick AFB, FL 32835-4708.

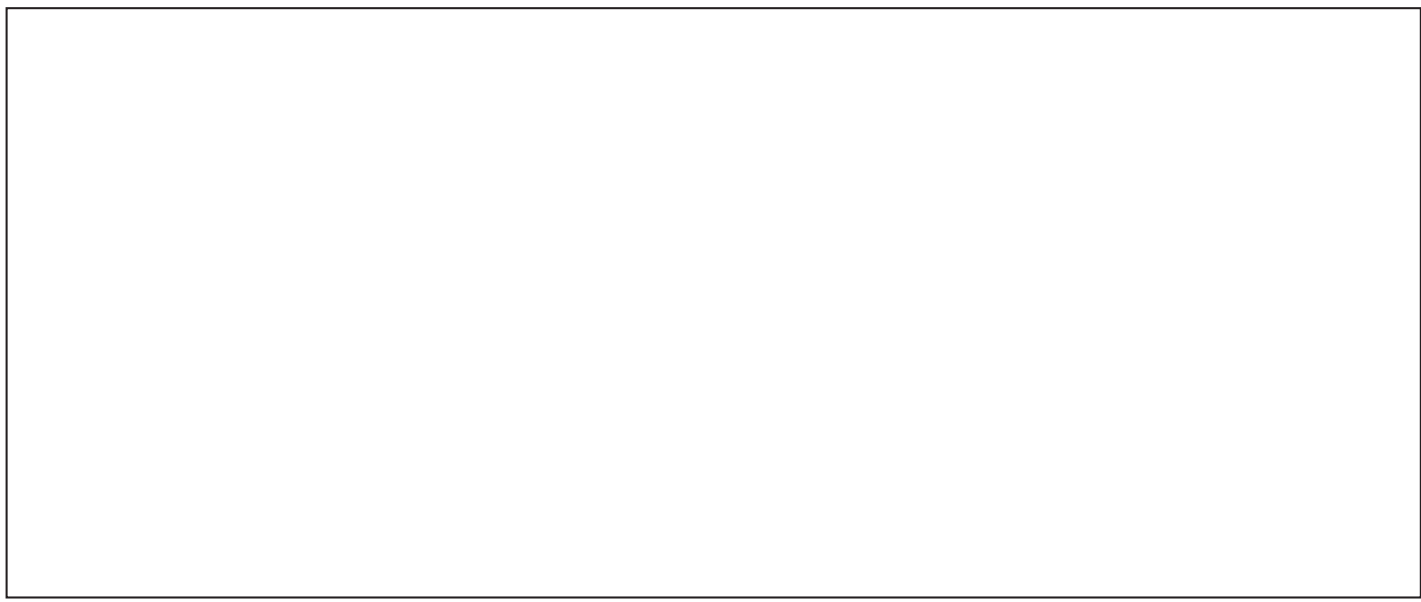
**Officers needed**

Air University at Maxwell Air Force Base has vacant positions to fill in this summer including: chief of the extension course program at the AF Institute of Advanced Learning; chief of Technology Implementation and Testing, Air War College; deputy associate dean for Residents and Electives; professor, AWC; curriculum area manager; and flight commander, Squadron Officers' School.

For complete job descriptions and requirements for these and other positions, visit [http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/special\\_utilization/](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/special_utilization/). If interested, contact a career field functional at Air For Personnel Center for application instructions.

**Red Cross needs volunteers**

Become a Red Cross volunteer. Must be 18 years old with a valid ID card. Call 494-2402, stop in the American Red Cross office in Bldg. 722 or at the Base Clinic.



# Women's History Month: *Celebrating a world of change*



Photos by 2nd Lt. Elizabeth Kreft

Staff Sgt. Courtney Lavender practices using a noise making device to scare away birds at Patrick Air Force Base's airfield.

By 2nd Lt. Elizabeth Kreft  
45th SW Public Affairs

Ready or not, change is right around the corner.

People fight it and fear it, but change always happens – and attitudes must keep pace with that change.

For example, changes that took place in the civilian labor force throughout World War II during the height of the military draft, where women's participation in the job market jumped to 19 million from the previous 12 million.

This proved that the female workforce had a legitimate role in the office, factory or market place and not just the home.

Changes also took place in the armed forces during that same period where nearly 400,000 women served in various clerical, nursing and other non-combat positions. According to Susan Hartman, professor of history and women's studies at Ohio State University, that number exceeded the total male troop strength in 1939.

With these kinds of numbers, women made a specific statement about their ability to take the place of men in various positions. This movement led a revolution of thought on

women at work.

The ensuing shift in attitudes toward women in the civilian workplace and in the military led to a complete change in the social expectations of "feminine duties" for many areas of social interaction.

But at the beginning, the change was not welcome and women struggled to get fair treatment in the work force merely because of lingering social stigmas.

The problem was not in the ability of the women to do a good job, nor was it in their desire to find jobs, rather it was in the attitudes of the men and women that were not open to change that led to such a long struggle for them to seek life outside the confines of their homes.

During National Women's History Month, everyone can take this time to realize that the United States they live in today would not be the same without the contributions of the many women that have helped improve culture and society.

The same will be so in the future as more and more women are prominent political, military, industrial, economic, social and religious figures that shape the foundation of the country for the betterment of all.



Courtesy photo

Women learn how to work in the production industry during World War II.

## Celebration luncheon scheduled

A Women's History Month luncheon is Thursday at the Officers' Club.

The guest speaker is Ms. Deidre Gordon, assistant managing editor at Florida Today.

She will speak on "Women Inspiring Hope and Possibilities."

Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Contact either Airman 1st Class Joseph Cipolla 494-9313, Senior Airman Andrea Garcia 494-3909 or Tech. Sgt. Andrea Deckhard-Diggs 494-1786.

Tickets are \$9 for club members, and \$11 for non-members.



Senior Airman Jessica Feliciano answers an incoming call at Base Operations. Since World War II, women have made a significant impact on

the face of the military daily operations to worldwide missions, each generation makes a difference in the opportunities for the next.



# Basketball star calls Patrick home

## Base youth leads high school team to state championship; earns MVP honors



Photos by Ken Warren

Tech. Sgt. Janita McNally, left, and her son, Carl McNally, pose with the sign on their street erected by their neighbors saluting Carl for helping Cocoa Beach High School win the state 3A basketball championship. He was also named the tournament's most valuable player.

**By Ken Warren**  
45th SW Public Affairs

It's a good thing Tech. Sgt. Janita McNally is good at non-verbal communication.

She literally screamed herself voiceless at the semi-final game of Florida's Class 3A state basketball tournament March 10. Nevertheless, the next day she found ways to root her son Carl and his Cocoa Beach High School teammates to a 57-47 victory over St. Petersburg Catholic in the championship game in Lakeland.

Sergeant McNally, NCOIC of the commander's support staff at the 45th Medical Group, used posters, body language, clapping, foot stomping and more to inspire the team. It

worked. Not only did Cocoa Beach win the championship, Carl McNally was named tournament MVP. "I'm so proud of him. This whole thing has been overwhelming. It has brought tears to my eyes," Sgt. McNally beamed.

Carl, a six-foot-four point guard, scored 25 points and snatched six rebounds in the championship game. "Winning the title is an awesome feeling. We got escorts from the police and fire departments. I had no idea how big of a deal this would be to the city," said Carl, an 18-year-old senior.

Not only is it a big deal in Cocoa Beach, but the McNally's neighbors in Patrick AFB's Central Housing Area made signs and banners congratulating him on the championship and MVP honor. "It's great that people we don't really know well are so happy for us - shows that the Air Force really is a family," Sgt. McNally said.

### Mom keeps focus on education

Carl's mom says he is an all-around athlete and that while she's proud of his athletic accomplishments, she's even more proud of his prowess in the classroom. He sports a 3.8 grade point average and while the basketball season was in progress, he aced classes including economics honors, English honors, advanced calculus and anatomy/physiology honors.

"I make him focus on the books. Carl understands that his schoolwork is his top priority. Education will take him far in life, beyond basketball. You can get hurt and all of that athletic ability can be gone, but no one can take away what you have in here," she said, pointing to her head.

"She's dead serious. Once I made a 'C' in eighth grade and she made me sit out a few games," Carl laughed.

Carl has played organized basketball since he was about five. As the family moved from base to base, he played on Youth Center teams and then for school teams. He holds the records at Holloman AFB Middle School in New Mexico for highest scoring in a single game and most points scored in a career. Although he holds those records, Carl says scoring isn't that important to him. "I like to make the pretty passes that help others score," he said.

That "others first" attitude helped Carl start on the varsity team as a freshman at Wiesbaden High School in Germany when his mom was stationed at Rhein-Main and also prompted



Tech. Sgt. Janita McNally, left, and her son, Carl McNally, browse through brochures from colleges interested in recruiting him.

Cocoa Beach Coach Mike Gaudy to trust him at the point. "Coach put the ball in my hands," he said proudly.

A single parent to Carl and his younger brother Kyle and sister Jessica, Sgt. McNally has had to do all the driving, pep talking and cheering on her own. "My mom is at every game. Just knowing she's there inspires me. She's both my mom and my dad," Carl said.

"He always looks for me in the stands," Sgt. McNally said.

Now that Carl's prep basketball career is over, he's looking for her guidance to help him choose a college. Carl gets five official visits to colleges and universities leading up to the deadline for signing with a school on April 14. "I'm playing in two high school all-star games this weekend and visiting the University of North Florida next week," he said.

Being the tournament's MVP and playing in the all-star games will get Carl tons of exposure. Although he hasn't heard from Coach K yet, Carl says his ultimate dream is to play college ball at Duke University and then make it in the NBA. "When I was growing up it was always about Michael Jordan, but now it's LeBron James," he said.

But this mature young man isn't putting all his eggs in one basket. "I'm going to major in electrical engineering or accounting...just in case the LeBron thing doesn't work out," he said with a humble smile.

Sergeant McNally added, "I hate to see him go off to college because he's still my baby. He still tries to get up in my lap, but at six-four, that's kind of hard."

**Monthly run**

The monthly WarFit run will be held Friday at 6 a.m. at the Patrick Air Force Base Fitness Center.

**Runners meeting held**

The Patrick Air Force Base Fitness Center is organizing a running club. An organizational meeting is Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Patrick Fitness Center. For more information, contact Mike Mendonca at 494-5899.

**Intramural softball starting**

The 2004 pre-season intramural softball tournament begins Monday at the Sports Complex in Pelican Coast (South Housing). Games will be at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. For more information, contact Ralph Robinson at 494-3187.

**Celebrate Nutrition Month**

There is a National Nutrition Month 5-K (run/walk) Friday at 11 a.m. at the Patrick Air Force Base Fitness Center. Health and Wellness Center T-shirts will be given to all participants. Fruit smoothies will be available for refreshments. Awards will be given out for male and female time prediction and for first to finish. Call 494-2660 to register.

**Students needed for SCUBA class**

Plunge into another world with SCUBA diving. Outdoor Recreation is offering a two-week PADI open water scuba class Monday - April 3. Open water certification

is an entry-level course that allows participants to scuba dive independently from an instructor.

Cost is \$235 and includes instruction, a PADI deluxe student kit, a complete SCUBA rental package, air fills and charter boat fees. Call 494-2042 to register.

**Women's softball league**

The 2004 women's softball league is open to all active-duty military personnel and their family members 18 years and older, DoD/NAF civilians and their family members 18 years and older and contractor personnel employed at Patrick AFB. Cape Canaveral Air Force Station and Kennedy Space Center contractor personnel are not authorized. Start dates and times for games will be determined at a later date after teams have been formed. For more information, call Ralph Robinson at 494-3187.

**Register for racquetball**

The South Housing Racquetball courts are open. Reservations can be made Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. by calling 494-4747. Call Naomi Parish at 494-4534 for details.

**Get WarFit in water**

The Patrick Fitness Center offers Waterfit classes. The classes are every Tuesday and Thursday from 9-10 a.m. at the Fitness Center Lap Pool. The classes are designed for all fitness levels. Aqua-joggers and waterbells are supplied.

**RIVERSIDE DINING**

Saturday Brunch - Cajun meat loaf, **crispy baked chicken**, ribeye steak

Saturday Supper - Fish amandine, **pork chops with mushroom gravy**, **stir fry chicken with broccoli**

Sunday Brunch - **Chicken parmesan**, **sauerbraten**, **tuna and noodles**

Sunday Supper - **Fried shrimp**, ginger barbecue chicken, spinach lasagna

Monday Lunch - Baked chicken, **simmered knockwurst**, **Swiss steak with tomato sauce**

Monday Dinner - **Roast turkey**, **baked ham**, **fish and fries**

Tuesday Lunch - **Grilled Salisbury steak**, onion-lemon baked fish, **yakisoba**

Tuesday Dinner - **Barbecue beef cubes**, paprika beef, **pork chop suey**

Wednesday Lunch - **Fried catfish**, jambalaya, **Creole scallops**, **Cajun meatloaf**

Wednesday Dinner - **Country style steak**, **fried chicken**, pita pizzas

Thursday Lunch - Liver with onions, orange-spiced pork chops, tempura fried fish

Thursday Dinner - **Pepper steak**, Mr. Z's finger lickin' chicken, **ginger pot roast**

Friday Lunch - **Beef and corn pie**, **pea and pepper rice**, seafood Newburg, **veal paprika steak**

Friday Dinner - **Yankee pot roast**, simmered corn beef, **pineapple chicken**

*Menus are subject to change. For more information, call dial-a-menu 494-2845. Bolded items are healthy choice meals.*

### Lent Schedule Catholic

**Lenten Devotions:** April 6 at South Patrick Chapel: Meager Meal, 5:30 p.m. and Devotion, 6:15 p.m.

**Devotions,** presented by Father Chris Hoffmann: Tuesday, March 16, 6:15 p.m.

**Reconciliation:** March 23, 6:15 p.m.

**Living Stations of the Cross:** April 6, 6:15 p.m.

**First Friday Mass:** Friday, April 2, 9:30 a.m., South Patrick Chapel

### Protestant

**Lenten Meals/Devotions:** Wednesdays at South Patrick Chapel, April 6 at 5:30 p.m.

### Regular Masses and Services Catholic

Daily Mass (Tues. - Fri.) at 11:30 a.m. in the library while Seaside Chapel is being renovated.

Saturday: 4 p.m. confession. 5 p.m. Mass in the South Patrick Chapel.

Sunday: 8:45 a.m. Mass in the South Patrick Chapel and 11:30 a.m. Mass in the base theater.

Religious education classes: 10:15 a.m. at the Education Center for pre-K - 6th grade, grades 7-12 Youth Ministry at 6 p.m. at South Patrick Chapel.

### Protestant

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - Traditional Worship in the base theater while Seaside Chapel is being renovated.

9:50 a.m. - Adult Sunday School in Seaside Chapel. 10 a.m. - Grades K-12 at South Patrick Chapel. Van transportation provided for base children.

11 a.m. - Contemporary Service in the South Patrick Chapel.

On Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. fellowship dinner in the South Patrick Chapel.

## ACTION LINE

494-6550

The Action Line is your direct link to me and provides a valuable source of information on ways we can work together to make Patrick Air Force Base and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station better places to work and live.

The best way to get something fixed is to identify the problem to supervisors and first sergeants.

If you can't get your problem resolved through the agencies, contact the Action Line: e-mail, [Commander's-line@patrick.af.mil](mailto:Commander's-line@patrick.af.mil) or click global at Commander's Line - Patrick AFB; recorded message, 494-6550; mail, 45SW/CC 1201 Edward H. White II St, Ste C-130, Patrick AFB FL 32925-3237; fax, 494-7302. Address all correspondence "Attn: Action Line."

When directing an issue to the Action Line, callers must indicate to whom they've previously addressed the issue.



Brig. Gen.  
Greg Pavlovich  
45th SW  
commander

**Q.** I heard a rumor that the bowling alley is going to be downsized from 20 lanes to 12 lanes in order to make room for a larger dining area. As an avid bowler, I'm concerned that this is being contemplated without consultation of the bowlers and especially the bowling leagues that utilize the Patrick bowling alley.

**A.** Thanks for your call. I'm always happy to address a rumor before it takes on a life of its own. Rest assured, we are not planning on reducing the lane count at this time. The bowling center manager was applying our START principles and brainstormed a host of new approaches and ideas for better maximizing the facility. As is the case in brainstorming, you jot down any and all ideas. Only afterward do you examine feasibility and, you'll be happy to know, participation was deemed too high to cut the number of alleys.

Some of the ideas did survive the scrutiny. This summer there will be a renovation of the snack bar to replace old equipment and reorganize the customer service area to make it more useable. We'll continue to make changes to improve the facility as much as we can. We won't, however, make any changes that would drastically limit the service the facility provides without consulting bowlers. Listening and communicating are two of our cornerstones of START so we'll be seeking feedback throughout our process, especially in the area of the number of lanes the center maintains. I salute the manager for thinking outside the box and applying START!

**45th Mission Support Group**  
Col. Steve Werner  
494-6607

**45th Civil Engineer Squadron**  
Jack Gibson  
494-4041

**North and Central Housing**  
Caroline Jamba  
494-2593

**Pelican Coast**

Pam Brown

777-8282

**45th Services Squadron**

Lt. Col. John Sproul

494-8081

**Military Personnel**

Maj. Dianne Dzialo

494-2035

**Commissary officer**

Ronald Rogers

494-4060

**AAFES**

Maurice Joiner

494-6455

**Civilian Personnel**

Robert Daniel

494-5238

**Military Equal Opportunity**

Capt. Marlon Johnson

494-6334

**45th Security Forces Squadron**

Lt. Col. Lynden Skinner

494-6202

**Financial Services**

1st Lt. Reina Chaperon

494-7171

**45th Medical Group**

Col. Gilbert Hansen

494-8100

**Ground Safety**

Martin Lackie

494-2202

**Inspector General**

Lt. Col. Frank Miles

494-4373

## The Calendar

### Friday

▲ Surf, turf or bird night, 5:30-8 p.m. at the NCO Club. For more information call 494-7491.

### Saturday

▲ Chili cook off and yard sale, 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., at Outdoor Recreation. Event includes moon-walk and free boat rides. For more information call 494-2042.

▲ 4-H music and theatre club "fun shop," 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., at the Youth Center. Activity offers an overview of new 4-H programs offered at the Youth Center, including lunch. Open to children in kindergarten - eighth grade. For more information, call 494-4747.

### Monday

▲ PADI scuba class, Monday - April 3 at Outdoor Recreation. Two-week class offers open water certification, which allows participants to dive independently of an instructor. Cost is \$235 and includes all necessities. Call 494-2042 for more information.

▲ Operation Support Squadron appreciation day at the Bowling Center. Anyone who works within the OSS pays 50-cents per game and 50-cents for shoe rentals. For more details, call 494-2958.

### Tuesday

▲ Computer workshop, 5 p.m., at the base library. Topic is "Viruses, Worms and Trojan Horses - Oh My!" and is presented by Ron Baker, library systems administrator. For more information call 494-2641.

### Wednesday

▲ 2-FOR-1 steak night, 5:30-8 p.m. at the NCO Club. Cost is \$21.95. Members who show their club card receive \$1 off. For reservations call 494-7491.

### Thursday

▲ All-you-can-eat rib night, 5:30-8 p.m. at the NCO Club. Members who show their club card receive \$1 off. For reservations, call 494-7491.

### March 26

▲ Surf, turf or bird night, 5:30-8 p.m. at the NCO Club. For more information call 494-7491.

▲ "Letters From the Front," 7 p.m., March 26-27 at the base theatre. Free, two-hour Broadway-style production centered on war correspondence. For more information call 494-8063.



Photo by Warren Love

Bob Curren, right, stars as Johnny Chastain, and Bobbi Kravis is the prize-winning author Katherine Hartgrove, in the Rector Roberts Production, "Letters From the Front." The play, making its 2004 tour kicks-off at Patrick Air Force Base will have showings March 26 and 27 at the base theater.

# Play offers glimpse into families on the front lines

By Marla Holbert  
45th Services Squadron

Theater-goers interested in military history can enjoy a free, three-act play at the Patrick base theater March 26 and 27 at 7 p.m.

"Letters From the Front" is a two-hour play, chronicling personal letters from every U.S. military conflict since the Revolutionary War. It is centered on the life of author Katharine Hartgrove, played by Bobbi Kravis, who was commissioned to write a patriotic play about the human spirit.

Ms. Hartgrove's on-again, off-again love interest, Johnny Chastain, played by Bob Curren, is one of America's favorite radio comics. He attempts to provide some light-hearted relief to an otherwise heavy-hearted subject.

"We're gratified to begin our 2004 touring season at Patrick Air Force Base," said Marsha Roberts, producer. "We feel it is a kind of gift to those who serve and the families and friends who love them."

Mrs. Roberts said her idea for the "Letters" grew after viewing Operation Desert Shield on television. First written in 1991, the play was later rewritten

to take place April 1945, in New London, Conn., during World War II.

"No matter how advanced the instruments of war become, the basic human emotions of the men and women who shoulder the burden of war never change," she said.

According to Chuck Nolan, director of marketing for the 45th Services Squadron, Rector Roberts Productions provides military communities with entertainment that is unique and relevant to their daily lives.

"This play is only a snapshot of what our service men and women face on a daily basis," Mr. Nolan said. "Throughout history there are recurring themes when dealing with issues that pertain to war. This play illustrates that beautifully."

Mrs. Roberts said the play is appropriate for children in middle school and above. As a courtesy to performers, parents are asked not to bring small children.

For more information, visit <http://www.letters-from-the-front.com>, or call Mr. Nolan at 494-8063.



**Friday** *Barbershop 2: Back in Business* On the south side of Chicago, Calvin is again struggling to keep his father's shop and traditions alive. Urban developers are looking to replace "mom and pop" establishments with name-brand chains. The world changes, but some things never go out of style - from current events and politics to relationships and love, you can still say anything you want at the barbershop. Starring Ice Cube, Cedric the Entertainer. Rated PG-13 for language, sexual material and drug references.

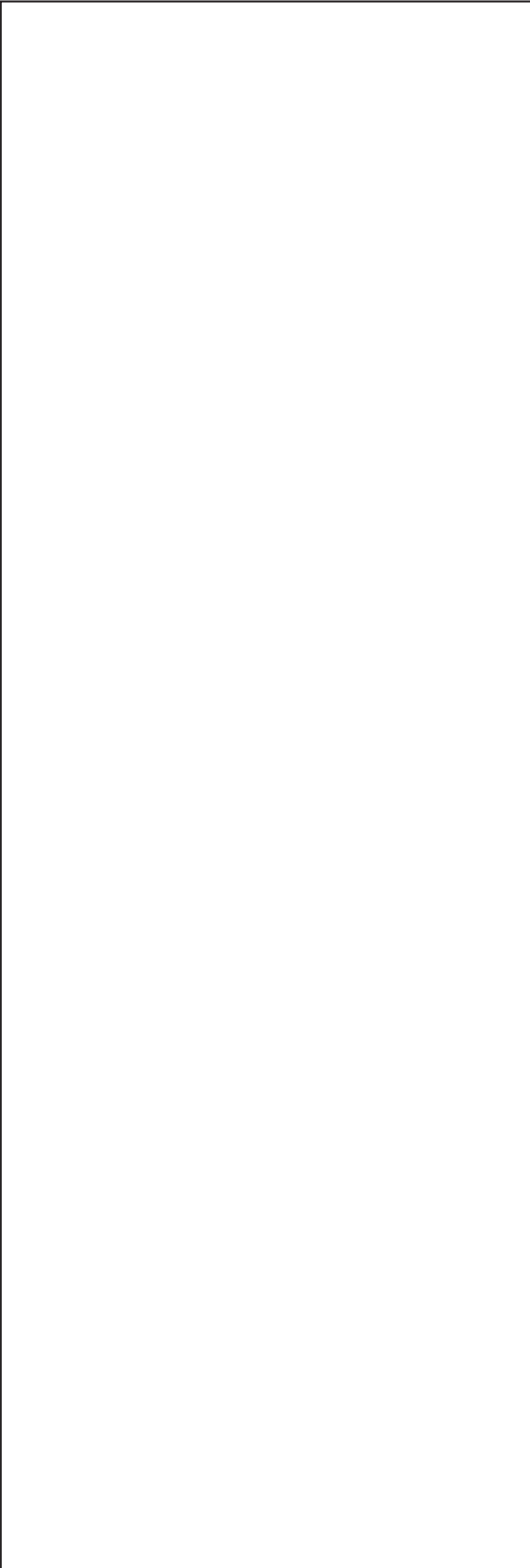
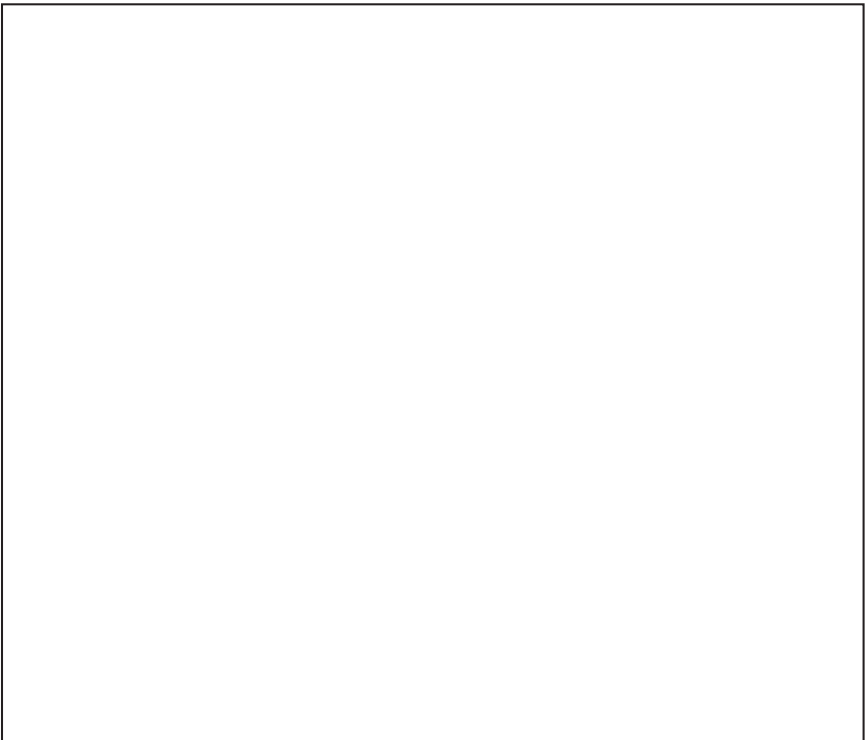
**Saturday** *You Got Served* Hip-hop dancers, David and Elgin, are the best dancing duo in town. But their reputations and friendship end up on the line when they face serious competition and are challenged in the biggest competition of the year. Stars Omari Grandberry and Marques Houston. Rated PG-13 for thematic elements and sexual references.

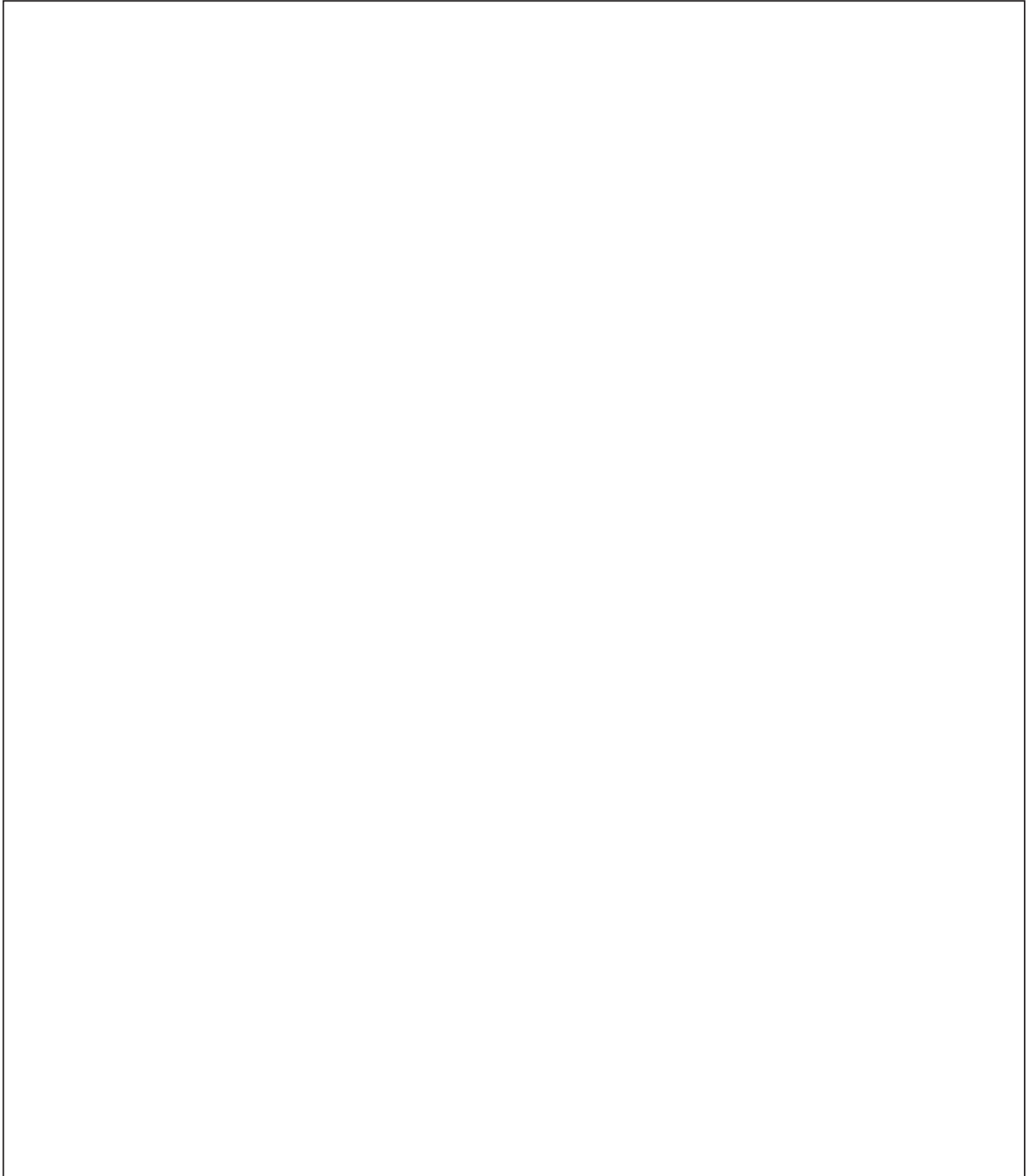
**Sunday** *Win a Date with Tad Hamilton* Rosie heads to Hollywood when she wins a dream date with Tinseltown's hottest eligible bachelor, Tad Hamilton. When Tad meets Rosie and gets a taste of what he's been missing in the "real world," he decides he wants seconds and moves to West Virginia, making Rosie's dream come true. Starring Kate Bosworth, Topher Grace. Rated PG-13 for sexual content, drug references and language.

**Thursday** *Closed*

Movie times are 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Tickets for adults are \$2.50, children 11 and younger pay \$1.50.

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## Events

**Saturday, noon.** The Space Coast Chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America presents "One Nation Under God" at the Cocoa Riverfront Park. It honors the one-year anniversary of the War in Iraq. The event honors the military men and women serving in the war. Call Jim Peterman at 635-8911 for details.

**Saturday, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.,** Old Florida Cracker Day at Honest John's Fish Camp, South Melbourne Beach (10 miles south of Melbourne Beach on A1A. Enjoy fish fry, tour the homestead, crafters and water sports. Call 723-0625 for more details.

**Saturday, 7 p.m.,** MASH American Red Cross Fund-raiser at the Cocoa Expo Sports Center at the Cocoa Fairgrounds. Enjoy international cuisine, music, races, silent auction and book-signing. Tickets are \$40 per military person, \$60 per person and \$100 per couple. Call 723-7141 or visit [www.redcross.org/fl/brevard](http://www.redcross.org/fl/brevard).

April 2 and 3, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Timeless Treasures Quilt Show at the Melbourne Auditorium, 625 E. Hibiscus Blvd., presented by the Seaside Piecemakers Quilt Club of Satellite Beach. Features more than 300 judged quilts and wearable art display, lectures and demonstration, quilt appraisals and silent auction. Club donates numerous quilts every year to the community. Call 777-5660 for more information.

## Auditions

**Monday and Tuesday, 7 p.m.** The Titusville Playhouse holds auditions for "Annie Get Your Gun." Characters needed are three women, eight men, three girls between ages 8-14 and one boy (10-12 years old). No experience or preparation is necessary. Call 268-3711 for more details.

## Theater

**Through March 28.** "Two and Two Make Sex" at the Titusville Playhouse. Tickets are \$11 and \$13. Times are 8 p.m. March 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27; 2 p.m. on March 21 and 28. Call 268-3711 for more information or visit [www.nbbd.com/godo/tpi](http://www.nbbd.com/godo/tpi).

## Forum

**March 27, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.,** The 8th Annual American Association for Cancer Research Public Forum "Progress in the Nation's War on Cancer" at the Rosen Centre Hotel, Orlando. This event highlights the latest advances in cancer prevention, detection and treatment. Learn about innovations and meet cancer researchers. Call (407) 251-9988 or visit [www.cancerpublicforum.org](http://www.cancerpublicforum.org) for more details.





